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**REMARKS**

**Status of Claims**

Claims 1, and 3-21 are pending in the instant application. Claims 20-21 stand rejected. Claims 1 and 3-19 are allowed. Claims 20-21 have been canceled by this amendment. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

**Rejection of Claims 20-21 under 35 USC §103(a)**

Claims 20-21 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), as being unpatentable over Girgis et al.

Applicants have canceled claims 20-21 by this amendment. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the rejection of claims 20-21 be withdrawn.

**Conclusion**

Reconsideration of the rejection is requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the Applicants' undersigned agent at (740) 321-7213 if any unresolved matters remain.

If any questions should arise with respect to the above Remarks, or if the Examiner has any comments or suggestions to place the claims in better condition for allowance, it is requested that the Examiner contact Applicants' agent at the number listed below.

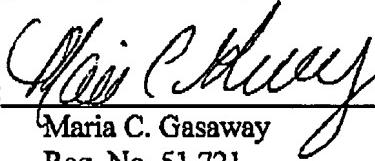
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Applicant authorizes any fees required pertaining to this response be charged  
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